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THEFT OF CABLES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of theft of telephone cables occurred in the country during the last one year and the loss incurred thereon; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to check such thefts in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The number of incidence of theft of telephone cables in the country during the last one year are 676. the extent of loss incurred as a result thereof is Rs. 2,01,04, 372/-

(b) The following steps are taken to check such theft:

1. Proper accountability of stores.

2. Adequate security for the store materials to avoid such incidences.

3. Surprise checks by vigilance section.

4. Computerization of material management section.

5. Movement of stores only on issue of gate pass and entry to stores restricted to staff on duty only.
6. Locking of Manholes.

7 Coordination with police authorities.